

box of plasticine on his own table, and dole the plasticine out as he wished, and Mrs. I. refused to let him, he was very angry, and he and Priscilla and Christopher rushed about wildly for a time, shouting defiance. When, however, Mrs. I. said she would put the plasticine away altogether if they were not going to use it, they settled down to steady work in a friendly way.

27.11.25. Priscilla pushed Tommy when he was carrying a jar of water, trying not to spill it. When Mrs. I. held her arm so that she could not push him, she became very angry, and all the other children took her part, saying, "Beastly Mrs. I.", etc. Christopher and Priscilla were going to throw beans at Mrs. I., but gave this up cheerfully when she reminded them what a long job it would be picking them up again.

2.2.26. Dan and Priscilla said they would "push Phineas to make him cry again ". When they were going to him again, Mrs. I. held them back and would not let them go near him, and in trying to run past Mrs. I., Christopher bumped his head on the door. The others thought Mrs. I. had done this to him, and were very angry, saying that she was "horrid" and "beastly ", and "we shan't come to tea with you any more ". Priscilla said, " Let's be rude to her/ and made threatening faces at her. When presently they understood that she had not done it to Christopher, they calmed down and were friendly.

12.3.26. Priscilla instigated Christopher to join her in pushing Jessica against the iron pillar in the schoolroom. When Mrs. I. interfered and held Priscilla's arm very firmly, and said, " You shan't do those things to Jessica"—showing some anger—all the children, including Jessica herself, joined against her. They said, " You're a beast," and, " Now we shan't come to tea with you when you ask us ! "

29.3.26. Priscilla was hostile to Mrs. I. this afternoon, and led Dan and Christopher to be so also. She called her " a beast" and threatened to spit at her. They were eating

oranges, and Mrs. I. told them that if they spat she would take the oranges away. Priscilla did spit, and Mrs. I. took her orange. She was not very upset. Christopher remarked, "That was a good spit, Priscilla."¹ She asked Mrs. I. whether she would give the orange back later, but Mrs. I. said, "No." They accepted this without further comment, and presently settled down in a friendly way.

7.5.26. Priscilla and Dan took away the beans that Alfred and Herbert were using on the rug. When Mrs. I. asked them not to do so, they called her "a fool", and they and Christopher kept trying to take the beans again, partly in fun, partly